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## **LeMahieu Online Voter Registration Bill Signed Into Law**

**Madison** – Today, Governor Walker signed Senate Bill 295, the Elections Technology, Access and Security Act. Senator Devin LeMahieu (R-Oostburg), the bill's author, released the following statement:

"Senate Bill 295 will create online voter registration, clean up our voter rolls, and make a number of other important reforms to modernize Wisconsin's elections.

This bill makes it easier for veterans to vote by allowing veteran IDs as valid voter identification. It also help seniors by allowing residents of nursing homes to use their intake documents or contracts as proof of residency. Both of these provisions will be in effect for the spring election on April 5<sup>th</sup>.

Online voter registration will be available by spring 2017 and will allow anybody with a current Wisconsin driver's license or free state ID to register securely online. In addition to making it easier to register, moving to an online system will also cut costs and curb potential for registration errors and fraud.

It's important to note that Senate Bill 295 does not eliminate voter registration drives. Instead, it empowers everyone to go out into their communities with a smartphone or tablet and help citizens register to vote."

*Senator Devin LeMahieu (R-Oostburg) chairs the Senate Elections and Local Government Committee and serves the 9<sup>th</sup> Senate District, which includes portions of Calumet, Manitowoc, and Sheboygan Counties.*

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